

HAITI EARTHQUAKE UPDATE



9th February 2010 - Earthquake measuring 7.3 occurred on January 12th 2010

According to officials, there are now 315 makeshift refugee camps in Haiti supporting the 1.2 million people left homeless after the earthquake of a month ago. It is now estimated that 250,000 homes and 30,000 business properties were destroyed by the quake which has killed at least 212,000. All of the indications on the ground are that these camps will be around for at least a year, and only temporary infrastructure will be built in this timeframe.

Our HF team on the ground continues to support on several fronts. The medical team has seen a further 310 cases on Sunday including 50 in a mountainous region where our team was the first to reach the people. We are providing food and rations with the UN to 100 children across 5 orphanages. HF has also been helping set up water filtration infrastructure at camps, each unit supporting several hundred people.

So far, HF has deployed 51 staff to Haiti, sent over 4.5 tonnes of supplies, seen over 5,400 patients, supported over 100 orphans, provided aid to thousands in refugee



A makeshift camp in Port-au-Prince

camps. The total value of aid provided in Haiti to date is just over \$500,000. We are very grateful to all of our partners and donors across the world, and it has been impressive that people across the world, even in Africa (Kenya, Burkina Faso, Uganda) have been raising funds and showing solidarity with the victims in Haiti.



Collecting funds in North-East England

Significant funds are needed to buy supplies of medicines, fluids and other urgent requirements. Please speak to your local HF rep or visit our website www.humanityfirst.org to donate through your nearest Humanity First operation.

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